25.4.1972 Peria Kanmai 6.30 A.M to 8.00 A.M

Flimingo's, Cotton Teals, Pelicans, Herons, Open billed strok, Egretts, ~~are~~ there in the Kanmai. Few common sand pipers and some hundred Wood Sand pipers are in the paddy fields. I saw one one leg common Sandpiper. The wood sand pipers which were usually seen ~~in one~~ singly here and there are numerous in number. Probably they were returning and staying on the way.

After a long interval I saw a few Black winged Stilts which posses a fresh problem wether they were resident or local migarants.

A Brain fever Bird (heard in the past) and Grey headed Prakeets? are near the Kanmai.

Pipits are still around and wagtails not seen.

I saw two yellow throated Sparrow - Coupulate on a tree five or six times with short intervels.

29.4.1972 Peria Kanmai 6.00-7.00 A.m.

- Cloudy Wheather -

The water level is dcreasing fastly and today crossed the cannal running alongside the bund and ~~app~~ went near the water. The Black Winged Slits were numerous and there wings are much darker than in Feb & Jan. A Duck with over all black appearance and white wing bar was seen (Some 50 in number) Tree Ducks are also there. Herons, Flimingos, Spoon bills, Gulls, Painted Storks were there.

On my back I saw 6 Golden Plovers (Eastern) six in number with black abdomen and white line running down behind the eye. The Wood Sandpipers were still there. in the wet fields in flocks.

The Areial display of a Tree Pipit (went up very high in the sky like a nightingale not by wing beating but by sweeping upward wavy motion) is very interesting.

Shrikes are almost absent.

30.4.1971 Devipattanam 6.00 – 8.15 A.M.

Full moon on ~~28~~-4.71 – Water went far back beyond the navagrahas.

Most of the birds were not there few ~~Herons~~, Turnstones, Less Sand Plovers, Large Sand Plovers (in breeding Plumage) Indian Reef Heron, Bitterns (two kinds) Common Sandpipers (few) wood Sandpipers are there in small numbers.

The water will come up for in the months of November and December. One more visit may be made to this place or Thirupalaikudi on 12th or 15th.

Only the evening time is ideal for best light.

I should carry note books with me.

2-5-72 Periakanmai 6.00 A.M to 7.30 A.M

Cloudy weather; I went by cycyle and crossed the small cannal. To day I was able to see four Flimingos in very close quarters. One has no black tip to tail and its legs are deep red in colour. When feeding they use their legs very well. Egrets scratch the mud by one leg and then probe the mud for food. The flimingos does both things simaltaneouly. Actually they are dancing. They go back ward side wards and come forward moving both legs rethamatically.

Spoon bills, Herons, Tree Duck, Painted Strokes, Pelicans, Some othe Duck? Black winged Stilts, are numerous.

Few wood Sanpipers, Few Large Plovers, Lesser Plovers, One Common Sandpiper were there still. Herons are incresing in number day by day.

5.5.72 Perikannmai (Near College) 4.00 to 5.00 P.M.

Cloudy weather

I went by cycle in the Madurai Road and reached southern bank of the Kanmai. To my surprise there were some 3000 Painted Stroks in batches or flocks of 500 each. as They ~~were~~ standing in close knitted flocks. With them few Pelicans and few Egretts were seen. Felimingos were less in number. I counted some 60. standing singly or in small flocks almost in the shallow end of the western portions. Two kinds of Terns on with black Streaks in the stomach and the other with pearl grey colour and long pointed wings were seen. Two Black necked Ibis and one Shikra and a pair of fishing Eagles were seen. Ducks were seen at ~~a very far off~~ in the long distance.

6.5.1972 Near Church 9.30 A.M.

~~Eastern~~ Indian Reef Heron (only one) were seen after a long interval of one month on the Ymiwesie near the church were ~~Egrets~~ were breeding.

7.5.1972 ※ Devipattanam 4.00 to 6.30 P.M.

- High tide at 4.00 P.M rose to High^est^ level by 6-30

It ~~was~~ a ~~surprising~~ thrilling visit. In the month of May the birds in their breeding dress were numerous and makes me wonder.

Large ^Sand^ Plovers, Grey Plovers, Lesser Sand Plovers, Turn Stones Sociable Plovers, Wood Sandpipers, Common Sandpipers Curlew Sand Pipers, Pure White Terns (?)

Bittern, Grey Heron, Eastern Reef Herons, Black Bellied Finch Lark. Skylark (??) Pied Wagtail (in Salt-Pans) Paddy Birds and the Eagle which I saw near Peria kanmai.

(1) Red legs
Back and wings edge
white
Bill black 5 C.M.
tituwee tituwee
Neck grey

(2) Larger Sand Plover

(3) Utter Black neck
wing part neck
edge line white Bigger
Bill thick short bigger
black

4 Lesser Sand Plover

(5) Sand piper with
thick head dark grey
above and white
streak

(6) White Gulls with
few black markings
(5)

6.5.72 11.00 A.M 102

Wag tail head Black
Bigger bigger than pieg
almost black long
white eye strips
Zig Zag

8.5.72 Periakanmai 5.30 to 6.30 P.M

Overcast – Cloudy Weather – No sun –
Water decreasing slowly –

Flimingo's (in Rosettes) Spoonbills 500, Herons 100, A.W.Stilts 300, Egrets 50-100 were there and they were very near to the shore. Few Common Sandpipers and 20 or so Avocets were also seen. Painted storkes and Pelican were in the southern most end.

To day I saw Avocets first time and their feeding habit is ver peculiar. The readily swim and were water level is not much they ran here and there. A Uniform movement like that of Black necked Ibis. They turn this side and that side as if directed by some command. The Flimingo are doing their usual dance. Blackwinged stilts make lot of noise.

15.5.72 Periakanmai 6.45 to 7.45 A.M.

Kavanoor End

Heavy Rains and cloudy weather for the past 5 days. all over Tamil Nadu. Unusual in summer

Water coming in from Vaigai canal for the past two days.

There will be water for two more months atleast.

Plicans, Felimingos, Blacks Winged Slits, Painted Strks, Egrets are there, in large numbers. The absense of Herons notable.

Sanpipers were not there and I think it is not possible to see them again before August. Anyhow I must try at Devipattanam and Sethukarai.

14.5.72 Athankarai

Went to the sea shore with the Doctor. Except Brahminy kites no other bird was seen there.

17.5.72. Sakanaikottai Kanmai 6.00 A.M to 7.00 A.M.

Due to recent rains there is about half foot water in the kanmai. A few Painted Storks and one or two Herons are there. I saw a few flock flying off from the kanmai. They might be probably Pelicans.

While returning I saw flocks of Cormorants flying eastward.

Painted Storks daily fly over Ramnad in the mornings towars west probably to Peria kanmai. Some Herons are also seen with them.

The King Crow (Drango) near Sakanai Kottai kanmai is raising its second brood and I saw the bird sitting on the nest.

There is no sign of Sandpipers or Plovers.

17.5.72 Devipattinam 4.30 to 6.00 P.M

No clouds - but not hot - wind velocity very high - even pushing me down Phase of moon - [illegible] - low tides.

First I am very much dissappointed because there was not even a single bird in the sea-shore. I thought they all ~~[illegible]~~ left for their homeland. Due to the high winds they were not in the usual place. When I went ½ K.M North I was able to spot eight Grey Plovers three in full breeding plumage some 50 meters inside the water edge. Further on they were 10 or 12 Large Sand Plover in breeding plumage. Two Lesser Sand plovers were on the water edge.

8 or 10 Terns not identifiable due to went went past above me. Two Terns with clear black head also fly away. 9 Herons were there standing facing the wind in the sea water. While returning I saw a solitary grey Plover near the swamp.

20.5.72 Sethukarai 8.00 A.M to 9.30 A.M.

Bright sunny day - High waves - sea colour light Brown.

From Thiruppalai went by walk. On the way the following Birds were seen.

1. White headed Babbler
2. Common Bee Eater (absence of tail spine) as in the last yea
3. Jungle Babbler
4. Sun bird (Purple)
5. A Falcon ?
6. Malhoha ?
7. Tree Pie ?
8. Indian Robin
9. Hoopie
10. Palm Swift
11. Swift ? (Marsh habit)
12. Myna
13. Heron
14. Large Egret
15. Paddy Bird
16. Black bellied F. Lark
17. Golden Backed Woodpecker
18. King Crow
19. Crow 20. Jung Crow
21. Ashy Swallow Shrike
22. White Breasted K. Fisher
23. Grey Patridge
24. Ternlet ?
25. Rose Ringed Parakeet
26. Ring Dove
27. White throated Munia
28. House Sparrow
29. Redvented Bulbul
30. Blue Jay
31. Pariah Kite - 2
32. Brahminy Kite
33. Fising Eagle ?
34. Flimingo (Sakkaraikottai)
35. Black Winged Stilt.

21.5.72 Peria Kanmai 6.00 A.M to 7.30 A.M

Hot Early Hours. No wind

By cycle I went upto Tholuvalur and found some old nests of Herons on a Peepal in Tholuvalur.

Water ~~completely stops~~ is not flowing in through the Vaigai canal. and the estimate of the people is that the water in the Kanmai will last for more than a month.

Flamingo's about 50, Black winged stilts, Painted Strokes, Herons Pelicans were there in small number. Because of frequent shootings the birds are wearied away. One hunter told me that they were in large numbers near எட்டிவயல் 15 KM west in the Paramakudi Road.

I had a conversation with Kuruvikar's. They say one Shikra will cost Rs 100.

Wear Birds were building nests near Sulidge. Tree Pipit, Coromant, Small warbler were notable observation.

7.6.1972 Periakanmai 6.00 A.M to 7.30 A.M.

hot windy day with few clouds and less sun shine.

water level gone down considerably.

Fishing right contractor making fire alarms with country norg.

To my surprise there were about 20 Common Sandpipers. Felamingo about 300 scarred by the sound fly around the kanmai for nearly half an hour and at last landed near the painted strokes which numbered about 1000 in number. Few Pelicans also were there with Painted strokes. Avocets about 50 in number were there swimming in sallow waters. Black Winged Slits about hundred in number engaged in feeding as scattered parties. These wings are very black in colour and they are fighting with one another. Few Egrets ~~and~~, ~~the~~Herons and Spoonbills were also there. The water will be there for about another fortnight, and it will be interesting to watch the closing days of drying of the only watered tank in the Dist

11·6·72 Peria kanmai - 4.00 P.M to 5.00 P.M

Sunny day. Heavy winds.

The water almost dried up and there will be water only for six or seven days.

Flimgos, Black Necked Ibis Pelicans, Painted Strks are there in small flocks and men of contractor for fish in the kanmai is driving away the birds giving more than 50 meters inside the kanmai. Painted Strorks are in large numbers. and they flew all around. Due sun I am not able to spot any small waders.

If I could have a camera with I will make some interesting Photographs

14.6.72 Periakanmai – 5.30 to 6.00 P.M.

Due to heavy winds from east to west the little water in lower portions near the bund was blown up in the kanmai and there was only mud along the bund. Except egrets and one or two herons no birds was seen. any were in the kanmai. within one week the kanmai will ~~become~~ ~~almost~~ completely be tried up.

15.6.72 Thursday 5.45 to 8.30 A.M.

Devipattnam.

After an interval of 25 days I went to this place. As usual in the morning during this season the ~~water~~ sea was in low tide I was ablle to see flat land beyond the navagrahas

Plovers - Pamier or Kentish were seen. Few Green Sandpipers are also there. But due to much humidity I am not ablle to see clearly. Gaint Herons ~~and~~ were there. And with them Indian Reef Herons. One Gull flew over-head. ~~Only~~ The Grey Plovers in the summer dress were not there.

19.6.72 Monday 6.15 - 6.45 Periakanmai.

Near the bund there is only mud and the people are catching fish. 200 - Pink Storkes, 100 Herons, few Egrets were in the kanmai. Flemingos were not there and I think I can see them in some other kanmai were there is still some water. The kanmai will try up comletely within four or five days.

2.7.72 Bakkarakottai kanmai 7.00 - 7.30 a.m.

Still there is little water and shallow ditches between fields. 50 Egrets few Paddy Bird are there and they are busy catch fish. Saw a Cormorant flying over head towards East. Thee Chicks of Drangos with with velvet like drak brown plumanges were there on a tamarind tree and the parents of making lot of noise when I obsereved the chicks.

9.7.1972 Peria Kannai Ihalhu 6.45 - 7-30

- Kannai completely dried up.
Cloudy drizzling whether.
I saw three Black Winged Kites
two of them engaged in Building trees (Kadalavatoora 20 feet) One bird is making lot of noise and most probably there must be some eggs in its nest and it flew off when I observed it. 50 to 70 Weaver birds in bright yellow Breeding plumage were there. White throated Munia were also there in large number. Common Bee-eaters, Ringed Doves, Pipits, Pariah and Braminy kites, Redvented Bulbul, Grey Padridges. White Breasted King Fishers, Lots of Drango, Crested Cuckoos were also there. Mynas, Crows Egrets, Streaked Wren warbler were also there.

17.8.1972 Peria Kanmai ~~Road~~ Kavanoor Road. 6.00 - 7.30 A.M.

There ~~was~~ is no rain for the past ~~three~~ or four months. Even the Oorunni's are part drying up. Heavy winds and hot sun and long dry spell of whether are not encouraging for Bird watching.

When I visited the sludge area to day there is no sign of any Black Winged kite which built its nest 40 days earlier.

Pigeons, Bulbul, Weaver bird, White ~~throated~~ Munia, Sun bird ?, One Warbler, Egretts, Lark, Black Bellied Finch Lark ~~were~~ were there in small numbers.

In the early Hours at about 6.00 A.M I saw some 20 Herons in the Oorunni near the Agragharam in Nainar Koil Street.

20.8.72 Sethukarai 7-30 - 9.30

Up to Thimpullani I went by bus and walked up to Sethukarai. On the way I saw ~~few~~ common Bee Eaters (vent and lower abdomen white - throat dirty white - head light Green - Whole plumage Green - no tail spine) They may be young ones or they are in plumage.

Near Sethukarai: few herons in flight - two Curlews - 15-20 Turn stones - ? One Egret (small) bill thick and very black - legs black and stout - two pectoral plumage in the head

In the Thorny bush I came across a Drongo the tail of which is very slightly forked and which very black and stout body. Many Hoopoes with bright white stripes were there.

3.9.1972 Sethukarai 6.45 – 8.30

[No wind – hot sun – low tide at 6.45 tide rising gradually – no rain]

I got hold of the 6.10 Bus and reached Sethukarai by 6.45. One curlew and 20 Turnstones and few Turnlets were there. First time I saw a pair of Little Green Heron and in the thorny bush nearby a new bird which eluded me several times made identification impossible. These are about the size of a Grey Patridge and had ? white wing bars. But when they flushed there is no whizzz sound usually made by Patridges.

While travelling in the bus I saw a Sandpiper like bird near 3.K.m mark lagoon.

Beacause of hot sun I saw a Vulture over Thiruppullani with white batch on the belly.

11.9.1972 Devipattinam 4.00 – 6.15 PM

Sunny-Windy afternoon – sea receding fully beyond Navagrahas by 6.15 – அமாவாசை [illegible] –

After an interval of nearly three months I visited the place with friends. I should had visited the place a month ago.

Curlew – (10-12) single birds only
Wimberel (5-10)
Grey Plover (10-12) in breeding plumage
Golden Plovers (5-10)
Turn Stone (numerous)
Common Plovers (numerous)
Grey Herons (35)
Egrets or Reef Herons
One bittern
One Felimingo (a solitory bird no red) ?
Lesser Plover
Fishing Eagle or ?
Terns (about sixfive in number)
all flew away from the sea by 5.15
Grey - Black Crest

30.9.1972 Kavanoor Road 6.00 - 7.00.

After a long dry spell there ~~was~~ little rain yesterday. Even though all the tanks ~~were~~ tried up there is little muddy water in the shallow beds. Paddy Birds, Egrets, One Painted Strok, Heron are visiting these tanks in the early mornings. 8 or 10 Golden Plovers visited the muddy flats a few days ago. 13 to 16 Kentish Plovers are visiting regularly in the mornings and they may be in immature plumage because their colours are not so white.

The Blue tailed Bee Eaters which were very common during the last season by this time is completly absent this year. Few swallows are flying in the evenings. Orioles are not at all arrived here. Strikes are also not yet arrived. Wagtails are not yet arrived. The Egrets are not yet strated building their nests in the tamarin. I should visit Sethukarai Thirupalaigudi in the coming weeks.

12.10.1972 Kavanoor Road 6.30 to 7.30 A.M

For the past few days Ramnad has daily rain and the tanks around have some water

To day I have the opportunity of recording many birds which were absent for the past few months

1. Little ~~Egret~~
2. Medium Egret
3. One white water bird which flew with more than 10" outstreched neck
4. Black Winged Kite
5. Brahminy "
6. Pariah "
7. Turnstones ?
8. Common Sandpiper
9. Paddy Bird
10 Blue Jay
11, King Crow
12 "
13 C. Babbler
14. Jungle Babbler
15 C. Myna
16 Brahminy Myna
17. Common Bee Eater
18. Blue tailed Bee Eater
19. White Throate Munia
20 Sparrow
21 Yellow Throated Sparrow
22 Common Crow
23 Jungle Crow
24 Warbler
25 Black Bell. Finch Lark
26 Sky lark
27 Pipit
28 Palm swift
29 Swallow
30 Ring Dove
31. Crow Pheasant
32. Sunbird
33
34
35
36
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28. 10. 1972 Kavanoor Road 6.30 to 8.00 A.M.

Heavy rains lashed in and around Ramnad for the past four days - low depression - all the kanmais nearly full. Paddy sub-planting to start with in a week.

By cycle I went up to the 5 K.M. mark in the Kavanoor Road all most all the migrants are again here except the local migrant Golden Oriole. After a long interval I saw a few Blue tailed Bee-eaters. From the list of bird seen on 12-10-1972 ~~All the 26~~. Excepts the six birds which are not ticked(✓) all the 26 ticked birds were also seen to day. Babblers and sunbirds were conspicuously absent. It may be due to the Heavy Rains which lashed.

27- Paradis Fly Catcher
28 - Painted Stork
29 - Heron
30 - Cormorant
31. Marsh Sand piper (1000)
32. Richard's Pipit
33 Common Sand piper
34 Shrike ? (Common Wood)
35. Large Cuckoo Shrike
36. Richard's Pipit
37 Ashy Wren
38 Streaked Fan Tail
39 Tailor Bird
40 Cattle Egret
41. Parakeet (Rose

9.11.1972 7.00 to 9.00 Periakanmai North end

Heavy rains for the past four days.
Water flowing into Kanmai and Vaigai.
Pleasent Cloudy wether.

Egrets and Paddy Birds are neumousous. Larks Pipits (Richard and Indian) are in large numbers in the Road.

1. Little Egret 2. Paddy Bird 3. Br. Kite 4. P. Kite 5. Common Sandpiper 6. Spotted Sand piper 7. Blue Jay. 8. K. Crow 9. C. Crow. 9. C. Babbler W. C. Myna. 11. B. Myna 12. Cuckoo 13. Crested Cuckoo. 14. L. Bee. Eater 15. Blue tailed Bee Eater. 16. W. breasted King Fisher 17. Pied King Fisher. 18. Sapprow 19. yellow throated Sparrow 20. B. Bellied F. Lark. 21. Crested Lark. 24. Tree Pipit 25. Rich. Pipit 26 Swallow 28. Palm Swift. 29. Crow Pheasant- 30. Sunbird 31. Bittern ? 32. Black Winged Kite. 33. Parakeet 34. Paradise Flycat. 35 Ashy Wren 36. Brown Warbler. 37. Teal

Spotted Sanpipers very common.

13. 11. 1972 Kavanoor 6-30 - 7.45

- Sunny bright day. No wind or clouds.

I went to up to Kavanoor Kanmai. The water in it ~~was~~ is full but there is no sign of any birds building its nest. Few Painted ~~Storks~~ Storks and Teals are seen flying.

Birds seen. With the birds seen in 9.13 the following were also seen.

38. Painted Stork
37. Kestrel
39. Hoopoe
40. Indian Reef Heron (Grey plumage)
41. ~~Common~~ The Brown Shrike
42 Striated Weaver
43. Godwit

Indian Skylarks and Pipits numerous.

9.~~11~~.1972 Devipattanam - 3.15 to 5-15

Rainy - Cloudy - Sea in low tide ~~all~~ salt-pans ~~not in~~ washed by rain and sea waters - Navagragha ½ feet only visible.

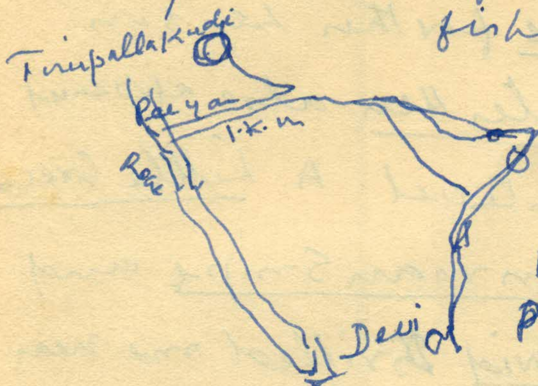
With Abragam went upto half way mark. Returned due to rain.

Little ringed Plovers, Common sand pipers (Velvety Brow), little Stints are numerous

One Curlew and one Brown Gull were seen. Black colour Indian Reef Heron(?) with white in the neck two or three seen. Terns were also seen.

14.11.72 Thirupallaikudi 3.30 to 5.00

7 K.m North of Devipattanam. Peeyaru (பீஆறு) running near and falling in the sea. cloudy weather and water in the river. sea shore thorny and muddy and not straight. Lot of fishing boats and numerous Pariah Kite there.



Mr. Hydrose North st - helped to visit the seashore he also told me that lot of Pitta's visiting in this season.

Birds seen in the sea shore and on the banks of the river

1. Indian Reef Herons (6 to 10 Black and Grey sizes variable on the river bed
2. Brown heade Gulls. 49
3. Black bellied Plovers 50
4. Red Shanks 51
5. Whimbrel 52
6. Curlew 53
7. Ketish Plover 54
8. L. Ringed Plover 55
9. Lesser Sand Plover 56
10. Black tailed Godwit
11. Spoon bill (one in flight) 57
12. Teals
13. Grey Herons (Breeding) 58
14. Pied Kingfisher
15. Brahminy Kite
16. Pariah Kite
17. Kestral (6.00 P.m Near Road
18. Grey Patridge (heard)
19. Large Egret 59
20 Terns 60 61
21 Large Teal ? 62

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Peria Kanmai Northern End 6-45 to 7.45 A.M.

Cloudy Monsoonish weather - No rain and no sunshine.

After a long watch I was able to note the First Golden Oriole for this season. White breasted Water Hen also appeared after the summer interval. A Little Green Heron and a Common Snipe and Blacktailed Godwid thrilled me near the thattu.

42. Little Green Heron
43. Common (Fantailed?) Snipe
44. Blacktailed Godwit
45. Golden Oriole
46. Indian Robin
47. Redvented Bulbul
48 Openbilled Stork

18-11-72 Devipattanam ROAD up to 7 K.M. 6.30 to 7.30 A.M.

cloudy chill weather - Depression weakned
Sunny after 7.00 A.M.

All along paddy cultivation almost completed. Still lot water in the Ditches on the sides and water flowing in the culverts.
There is no sign of Pheasant Tailed Jacana in the tank which has some lotus floating.

63. The Green Sandpiper
64. The Little Cormorant
65. Tree Pie
66. White Throated Munia
67. Ashy Swallow Shrike
68. Redwattle Lapwing
69. Pied wagtail
70 Rock Pigeon
71 White Scavenger Vulture

I was fortunate to observe a Little Green Heron in breeding naptial Crest at close quarters.

72 Common Kingfisher

19-11-72 Sethukarai 6.45 to 8.45 A.M.

Two days for full moon day - sea at low tide - cloudy weather.

On my way I saw Indian Reef Heron in black and slaty plumage. A Pair of yellow Grey headed wagtails were also there. No noticable land like.

At estuary the sand bars are visible for about 100 Metres in the sea. Great black Headed Gulls, Black Headed Gulls, Brown Headed Gulls and Black Headed Gulls were there on the sand bar about 100 in number. Teals ~~and Plovers~~ came in large numbers from the islands towards the land. A Pair of Terns wing edges black were there.

73. Grey Headed Yellow Wagtail
74. Golden backed Woodpecker
75. Shikara
76. Great Black Headed Gull (immature plumage
77 Black Headed Gull
78 Caspian Tern
79. Whiskered ~~Tongking Tern~~.
80 Lesser Black Headed Gull
81 Purple Rumped Sunbird
82 Purple sunbird
83 Blyth's warbler
84 Hume's White throat
85 Tailor Bird

21-1-72 Devipattanam 3.45 to 5.45 p.m.

Full moon - Clear sunny weather - Sunset ~~6~~ 5:39 p.m
Moon Rise ~~6.00~~ 6.02 p.m

water with darams upto navabashanam as in the summer.

I walked near the mud flat into the sea for 100 metres and had a close look of the Grageneys and ~~Terns~~.

500 to 1000 Terns assembled in a mud flat mostly Indian whiskered.

Whimbrels and Curlew were in very large nummers and they were making a lot of noise. Indian Reef Herons about dozen seen. Som with out throat white. I was able to saw two white patches in the wings in one birds when it ~~fly~~ was flying towards me. Little Green Heron (1). Green Shank, Red Shank, L.R. Plovers, and other small birds were seen.

86. Green Shank
? 87 Shoveller
88 Spotted Owlet
89 Marsh Sandpiper

2~~4~~-11-1972 Madurai Road upto 6 K.m ~~6~~.30 to 7.45 A.M

Bright sunny day-

To day two flying parties of Felingos one 10 birds and the other of 3 birds were seen for the first time in the season. The first party was going directly towards East and the next one towarys South. Most probably they may be in large numbers in Kaunoor Kanmai. No sign of birds in Peria Kanmai because water was not decreased enough as to enable wading birds to stand there

I heard a barbet

I saw a ~~bird~~ south of College

- Pariah kite broad ~~eye~~ white brow crown black, nape white. wings black wing coverets spotted birds

This bird may be Croshawk

More than six crested cuckoo fighting with each other and chasing spotted doves.

90. Flimingos

91. Croshawk

92. Crimson Breasted Barbet

26. 11. 1972 Sakkarai kottai Kammai vai Periapattam Cart Road
தெற்கு தரவை

- Sunny Day - very warm claimate -

Went up to Thekkutharavai - not able to see any Pelicans; But People there told that it ~~will be~~ used to come there when there was much water. Seven to Ten Painted Stroks feed on the grassy ground like cattle. Probably eating small crusteceans. Saw one Kestral. Hundreds of Black Bellied Finch Larks were on the cart road. A little Heron also seen with the P. Stroks. On my way back I saw the Owlet in the same tree.

26.11.1972 Mandapam Road 8 K.M ~~Return~~ Via Cart Road
Mayavaram. 4.50 to 6. P.M

After cycling 8 K.M in the Trunk Road I took a short cut cart Road laid recently as the two side paddy (sown as punchai crops) is in ~~Green~~ mature condition. There were many birds (Green bee Eaters - Cattle Egrets - Parakeets.) I was able to saw few birds which eluded me for the past fortnight. In the evening some hundred Bee Eaters common flew over Ramnad circling each other.

93. Spotted Dove
94. Black Headed Cuckoo Shrike
95. Baybacked Shrike
96 Red Winged Bush Lark
97 Loten's Sunbird